

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of: Bauder
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Art Unit: 3725
Examiner: Goetz
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For: Method for Producing a Strip
Like Pre-Material

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of June 5, 2003, please consider the following which is submitted with a one month extension fee. Concurrently herewith a request for a one month extension is sought.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 3 as follows:

1. (Amended) Method for producing a strip-like pre-material from metal by means of rollers (11, 12) of a roll stand (2), which define a roll gap (13), by rolling the a metal strip in at least two or more than two rolling steps,

characterised in that a profile the metal strip (16) is rolled discontinuously into the metal strip in successive steps between the same two rollers (11, 12), for which purpose the metal strip (16) is recalled, after such a section of the metal strip (16) has been rolled, and the recalled section is rolled once again, the recalled section of the metal strip (16) being selected to be shorter than the circumference of the rollers (11, 12) by said method comprising